

REMARKS

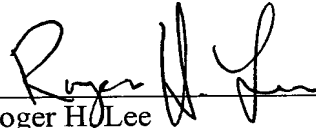
Entry of the foregoing amendments and consideration and examination of the subject application, as amended, are respectfully required.

By the foregoing amendments, the specification has been amended in conformance with the amendments made in parent Application No. 09/716,258. A substitute abstract that is less than 150 words has been added. Claims 11-18 have been canceled. Claims 7 and 8 have been amended for readability purposes by replacing the word "and" with "or."

Favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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